

# Public Works

## Budget Message

FY 2001/02 and 2002/03

In FY 2001/02, the **Department of Public Works** will conclude the third and final year of alternative surface treatment for unpaved roads on time and within budget (approximately 120 miles). The Department will also address many new challenges with regionally significant transportation and stormwater projects made possible by over \$15 million dollars of 2000/01 Grant and Legislative awards and an additional \$17.5 million from the 2001 Trails Bond Issue.

The **Road Operations Section** of the recently combined **Road Operations / Stormwater Division** continues to address sidewalk deficiency repair, tree trimming initiatives, street sweeping program, and the maintenance of existing roads as they mature (\$1,186,100 for asphalt rehabilitation, FY01/02).

In the **Stormwater Section**, completion of 11 of the 16 Basin Engineering Evaluations has identified 126 Capital Projects with a total cost of \$ 103,000,000. Currently, the St Johns River Middle Basin Initiative has identified State funds for a few regional projects.

The Division continues to develop and enhance an extensive volunteer network including Lakewatch and WAV (Watershed Action Volunteers) who actively extend our public education, drain stenciling and other water quality initiatives into the community.

The National Pollution Discharge Elimination Systems Permit is in year 4 of a 5-year permit. In July 2001 we began a 5-year process with FDEP and other stakeholders to develop Total Maximum Daily Load limits for impaired waters in Seminole County.

The **Traffic Engineering Division** will continue with ongoing efforts to implement the Seminole County Advanced Traffic Management System in FY 2001/02, to be completed in mid 2002. This system will deploy components of an

Intelligent Transportation System and will form a common communication platform with our neighboring agencies to provide better traffic management service throughout the Central Florida area.

Over 28 miles of fiber optic communication lines will be added to the current network in the two-year budget cycle. Also, traffic maintenance activities related to construction projects will be re-directed to lessen the impact of construction activities on motorists.

The **Engineering Division** Special Projects Section (Trails Program) will initiate design of the Cross Seminole Trail North section (3.5 miles), construction of the Seminole Wekiva Trail phases 2 and 3 (6.8 miles), the I-4 Trail Overpass and the SR 434 Trail Overpass (Winter Springs) design / build projects. Projects scheduled for the next two fiscal years include: design of 13.5 miles of paved and 18.1 miles of unpaved trails; construction of 7 miles of paved trails; and two design/build trail overpass projects.

The sidewalk program funded by pari-mutuel funds includes construction of over 3 miles of sidewalks.

All road projects to be funded from the 1991 one cent sales tax have been completed or are under development. Current projects under construction are County Road 46A, Markham Woods/Douglas, County Road 427, and Tuskawilla Road. Future construction includes East Lake Mary Boulevard, County Road 419, Dodd Road, Wymore Road, County Road 15, Sand Lake Road, Eden Park and Bunnell Roads, and additional phases of previously mentioned projects.

The **Department of Public Works** remains the frontline county department, dealing with citizens' and customers' concerns, providing timely, essential services that improve the quality of life.